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March 9, 1990

Mr. Richard Hughto
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Re: New Bedford Harbor Superfund Site; Project Update

Dear Mr. Hughto:

This letter is in response to your letter dated March 2, 1990 regarding additional information that is scheduled to be added to the Administrative Record for the New Bedford Harbor Superfund Site ("Site").

As we have discussed over the telephone recently, EPA is preparing to add a number of documents to the Administrative Record for the Site. EPA is currently in the process of compiling this material, indexing it, reproducing it, and preparing it for inclusion in the information repositories established for the Site. A major addition to the Administrative Record will include the Record of Decision itself and its Appendices, which include the Responsiveness Summary, the Administrative Record Index, and the State Concurrence Letter. Another significant addition is the comments received during the public comment period, which as you are well aware, are extremely voluminous. As such, none of the materials to be added to the Administrative Record are ready for release.


We are currently scheduled to issue the Record of Decision for the Hot Spot Operable Unit at the end of this month. As soon as we are able to confirm the signature date, we will notify you and the local community so that we can attend a Community Workgroup Meeting to present the Record of Decision and the Responsiveness Summary.

On a slightly separate matter, the reason that you no longer receive progress reports from the EPA is because our contractor is no longer required to produce them for this project. For your information, however, is a general schedule of the remaining major deliverables for this Site:

- Final Dredging Pilot Study Report - late March 1990
- Environmental Risk Assessment - early April 1990
- Modelling Report - early April 1990
- Air Monitoring Report - late April 1990
- Feasibility Study (Overall Site) - June 1990

Please contact me if you have any questions at (617) 573-5711.

Sincerely,



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